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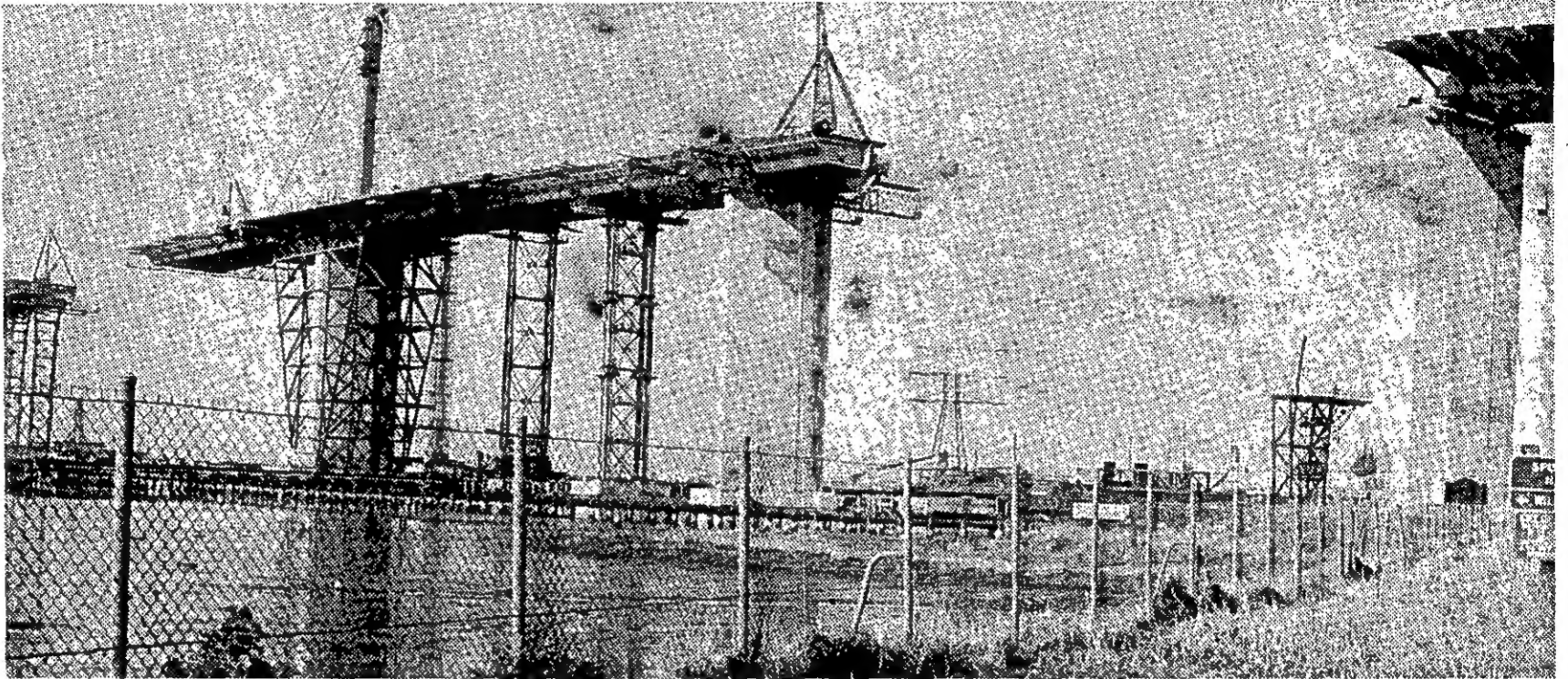
General manager of the West Gate Bridge Authority, Mr. C. A. Wilson, told the Star this yesterday.

It is the first time a date for a finish to the 11-year-old project has been nominated. The closest given before was "the mid 1980s."

The picture shows the bridge stretching out across the river and inland toward the pier that collapsed, near the Simcock Avenue-Douglas Parade intersection, at Spotswood.

Mr. Wilson said work on the project was going ahead according to schedule.

When the bridge project was announced in 1966, estimated cost was \$42 million. In a statement several months ago, a spokesman for the authority estimated the cost at \$120 million.



Donna is dubious



Four-year-old Donna Bianchi, of Keeshan Court, Altona wasn't too happy about being interrupted right in the middle of the game she was playing... especially by something as scary as a camera. Donna is at Lindwood Avenue Kindergarten, Altona.

WRCSD plea for support ignored by city fathers

Altona council will not help the Western Region Council for Social Development in its fight to prevent cuts to the Federal welfare budget.

Councillors have merely noted a request from the president of WRCSD, Mr. Ian Mill, for public support for the maintenance of Federal welfare spending.

Mr. Mill wrote: "The general committee of the WRCSD is greatly concerned that social welfare expenditure may be massively curtailed in the forthcoming Federal Budget."

"In particular we regard with alarm the recent public threats by the Treasurer, Mr. Lynch, to substantially reduce the welfare budget. We believe the Government must commit itself to developing

policies that would work towards eliminating fundamental inequalities and inadequacies in our society. At a time of economic difficulty, the Government must demonstrate a responsibility for policies directed towards social and economic justice.

"We cannot allow the social and economic welfare of our community to be mortgaged for short-term goals.

"In these circumstances, we have joined with the Australian

Council of Social Service and other welfare organizations in publicly supporting the maintenance of real welfare spending.

"We believe that any public expression on your part would assist in ensuring that social justice, social equity and an end to discrimination are not forgotten," Mr. Mill said.

Mr. Mill is the former mayor of the sacked Sunshine Council.

His letter on behalf of the WRCSD was noted on a motion by Cr. Alan Shaw and Cr. Ted Hubble.

In the swim for nothing

Friday night will be a free night of swimming for any Altona families going down to the new heated indoor pool.

The new pool, at the corner of Mills and Mason streets, Altona North, was opened earlier this year.

The free family night, from 6-8 pm, is the precursor of regular Friday nights at the pool, when families will be admitted for \$1.

If parents want to come to watch their youngsters swim when the regular family nights begin on Friday, June 3, they will be admitted free.

\$23,000 for Altona land

Two blocks of land in Altona North sold for more than \$22,000 each recently.

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IT'S A CHOKO INVASION!



The Vegie War in the western suburbs shows no sign of abating as we continue to unearth all kinds of strange phenomenon in people's backyards.

The latest ... is a choko invasion ... in the Bradley Street garden of Newport couple Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sampson (pictured).

Bearing some resemblance to an avocado pear in size and dimension, the prickly coated choko and its mass of ivy-like vines are generally more at home adorning backyard toilet sheds north of the Murray.

The choko is rarely seen in Melbourne.

"When cooked it tastes something like narrow or pumpkin, only better than both," said Henry Sampson, who planted the first batch of chokos in his back garden about two years ago.

Mrs. Sampson makes her own brand of choko ginger and choko lemon jam ... and even choko pickles, from the grenade-shaped vegetables.

"They're just like crisp pickled onions when they're pickled," she said. "They taste beautiful."

The choko boom started when the Sampsons' son, who used to live next door, planted

some seeds. The vines soon clambered over the fence into his parents' backyard.

Then Mr. Sampson snr. planted some more and now he has a fight on his hands to stop them taking complete control of his vegetable domain.

Mrs. Sampson is a member of the Williamstown Garden Club and the Royal Horticultural Society's floral art group.

"Members of the horticultural society tell me they have been able to grow the vines but not the fruit," she said.

Another interesting piece of flora in the Sampsons' garden is a flowering plant called "Mother of a Thousand Babies". It was given to Mrs. Sampson by friends from Holland.

Both in their seventies, the Sampsons are very active in their re-

tirement. Mr. Sampson has made several chairs from a contorted willow that once grew in his garden.

The Sampsons came to Williamstown from Eaglehawk, Bendigo, almost 40 years ago. They lived in Osmond Street before shifting to Newport.

Their son Bill Sampson was based at Footscray, as a police sergeant, about four years ago.

Records, cassettes on loan? AUDIO-VISUAL BID BY LIBRARY

Records, cassettes and art prints could be on the borrowing list at Williamstown library next year.

The new librarian, Ms Susan Moore, has gained Williamstown Council's promise to consider providing money in this year's budget for an audio-visual collection.

Audio visual material will be available from the Newport branch library when it is opened later this year.

Ms. Moore, in a report to council, said the only libraries in Melbourne which have not had a drop in borrowing figures this year are those which now offer records, cassette tapes and prints for loan.

"People are looking to more than books for their information needs now and the audio visual collections at some libraries are fulfilling these needs," she said.

"Coburg, Moonee Valley and Heidelberg libraries are experiencing increases in loan figures, and their only explanation is the establishment of audio visual collections."

Ms. Moore said there could be other reasons for the drop in loan figures at Williamstown.

"When television was introduced in the 1950s, public libraries felt its impact in the decrease of books borrowed.

"Color television has certainly not had the same degree of impact, but it is probable that it is producing a noticeable drop in books read.

"It would appear too, that the non-fiction collection at Williamstown is very poor.

"The collection is largely out of date and uninteresting to the general reader, and it is often difficult to supply the information needs of a reader.

"Williamstown is the only library I know which issues more fiction than non-fiction. I feel sure this is a reflection on the poor non-fiction collection.

"Steps are being taken to remedy this situation with current book-selection procedures.

"It is also possible that the effects of the severe overdue book fine system are still being felt."

"A number of borrowers must have restricted their use of the library due to the prohibitive fine system, and many may not have realised that it has been abolished.

"This will be brought to the attention of the community soon," Ms. Moore said.

She added that with a greater influx of young people moving into the city, the number of books being borrowed is decreasing.

"Old people tend to borrow more books per person because they have more time to read. With greater numbers of younger users, and the number of elderly users decreasing, fewer books are loaned out.

"The children who use the library now have access to better school libraries than in the past, and consequently rely less on the public library for project material," she said.

Councillors agree that consideration be given to supplying money for an audio-visual collection when they meet to discuss the 1977-78 estimates in September.

Mayoress to open kinder

The Mayoress of Altona, Mrs. June Crofts, will officially open the new Altona Meadows child care centre on Sunday, June 5.

The infant welfare and pre-school centre is at 65-71 Powlett Street, and the opening ceremony will begin at 2.30 p.m.

The opening coincides with the 20th birthday of the city, which became a municipality — a shire — on June 5, 1957.

Altona had previously been part of Werribee shire.

Uniting Church plans

Plans for services next Sunday at churches in Williamstown and Newport involved in the Uniting Church:

St. Johns, Williamstown — 10 am, the Rev. Laurence Slee (Holy Communion); 7 pm, Miss D. McNeill.

Spotswood Methodist — 10.45 am, the Rev. Chester Hodge.

St. Stephen's, Williamstown — 9.30 am, Mr. Hodge.

Westgate, Newport — 11 am, Mr. Russell Dancey.

Congregational, Williamstown — 11 am, the Rev. H. M. Moorhouse (Holy Communion).

Holy Trinity breakfast

The annual men's breakfast at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Williamstown will be held on Saturday, at 7.30 am.

An invitation has been extended for all men and their teen-age sons to attend.

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Fun parlor sites

Altona Council is supporting moves by the City of Coburg to have amusement machines banned in shops near schools.

Cr. Alan Show and Cr. Les Crofts moved that Altona agree to the request by Coburg Council for support in its efforts to amend present regulations.

Kennels OK

Mr. L. Scholes, of Civic Parade, Altona, has been given permission to keep three greyhounds and a

labrador. Under council by-law the usual limit is two dogs.

Mr. Scholes was required by council to advertise his intention, but no objections to the plan were received.

However, conditions imposed on the permit prohibit breeding and boarding of dogs or the emission of noise or smell. The permit is valid to the end of this year.

Flats refused

An application for a permit to build four villa units at 36 Grieve

Parade has been refused by the council for the second time.

The request came from B. Kappel Pty. Ltd., estate agents of Footscray. The firm lost an appeal to the Town Planning Appeals Tribunal after the council refused a permit last year.

The latest application has been disallowed because "the plans do not comply with the council's flat code requirement of one flat for each 3250 square feet".

Name committee

The council has formed a sub-committee to find names for 24 streets in the Nolla Estate subdivision in the Altona Meadows area.

The committee comprises the Mayor, Cr. Les Crofts, Cr. Doug Grant (deputy mayor) and Cr. Dan Duane.

Youth council

Altona is taking part in a project to create greater awareness of local government and its potential.

The project is being run by the Youth Council of Victoria, and Altona has bought 20 copies of a book called Local Government For Beginners, produced under the programme.

The books will be distributed to school and council libraries.

Factories

Five brick factories will be built on Lot 8, Malton Court in Altona West following the granting of council permission for the project.

The application had previously been refused by council because siting and car parking did not meet its requirements.

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Off-duty policeman COULD book him

'I thought he wanted bit of fun'

Anthony Martin Bacon thought off-duty policemen could not "book" him. Learning the truth cost him \$350 and two years off the road.

Bacon, 22, trades assistant of Rose Street, Altona, faced 11 charges at Williamstown Court last Thursday.

They arose out of a high speed car chase through Newport streets on the evening of February 10.

Bacon pleaded guilty to charges of assaulting a policeman, unlawful assault, using indecent language in public, failing to stop at a stop sign, failing to keep left, and exceeding 60 kmh.

He pleaded not guilty to driving dangerously, driving carelessly, refusing to give his name and address, failing to give a diverge signal, and speeding through an intersection.

The police later withdrew all other charges when Mr. D. Scully, SM, found Bacon guilty of dangerous driving, assaulting a policeman, indecent language and failing to give his name and address.

Constable Gregory Keyes, a policeman attached to the County Court, told Mr. Scully he was off duty and in his private car leaving a service station in Mason Street, Newport when he saw a Torana speed past.

"I saw the car's brake lights come on and the tyres squealed as the Torana veered right and left, just missing a Holden panel van in front," he said.

Followed of 100 kph

"The car's tyres again squealed as it accelerated down Mason Street. I followed it and checked the speed at 100 kmh.

"I followed it south down Melbourne Road and into North Road. It failed to indicate the left-hand turn. He used his left indicator turning into Brown Street, and at the intersection of Tait Street I bipped the horn of my car at him.

"I saw him look through his rear window, and I held my hand out in a stop sign, then I began to get out to approach the Torana.

"The driver then drove off with a squeal of tyres. I followed him again, along Hall Street, where he failed to stop at a stop sign, back into North Road.

I pursued him at 110 kmh, and drew alongside until I could see the driver clearly. I held up my police identification.

"The driver appeared to look directly at it and said something I couldn't hear.

"He then raised his left hand with two fingers in the victory sign reversed.

"The driver then swerved his car at me, causing me to veer right and nearly hit the guttering on the other side of the road.

"I pursued him again, and he turned right into Douglas Parade, swerving right and left on the wrong side of the road. He failed to indicate the turn.

"I chased him up Peel Street, Effingham Road, Wilkins Street and back into Douglas Parade.

"He sped through the intersection with North Road at more than 100 kmh, and I checked his speed at 165 kmh further along. This is in a 60 kmh zone," Const. Keyes said.

Wheels on footpath

The chase continued into Hobson, River and Hall streets before ending back in Hobson Street.

Const. Keyes said the two front wheels of the Torana were on the footpath when it came to a stop.

"I got out of my car, and so did the Torana driver," he said. "Come on suck, have a go."

"I showed him my police identification and told him: 'I'm a cop, show me your driver's licence.'"

"He said: 'Get... you're off duty, so have a go suck.' He refused to give his name and address.

"With his fists clenched he pranced on the footpath and said: 'Come on, have a go you weak...'

"I again asked for his name and address, and why he was carrying on in such a manner. He said: 'Get... you're in your own car and off duty.'"

"At this point he approached me and pushed my left shoulder with his right hand saying: 'Come on suck, have a go.'"

"I told him he would be hearing from me shortly as a result of what had happened, walked back to my car and drove off."

Drinking for five hours

Const. Keyes said Bacon was taken to the Altona police station in a divisional van the following day.

"In a statement taken at the police station, he told me he had been drinking at the Central Hotel in Altona from 1 pm to 6 pm the previous day.

"He said he then left to go to The Strand Hotel to try to find a man who had Bacon's weekly pay packet.

"He said he was upset about the money when the chase occurred. He admitted reaching speeds of 90

mph (145 kmh), and couldn't remember any stop signs.

"He agreed that he had tried to fight me, but said he had only pushed me once. He didn't normally act like that, but was upset and had been drinking."

Bacon told Mr. Scully he thought an off-duty policeman was not allowed to speed in his own car.

"I thought he was just having a bit of fun, but I found out different.

"Maybe I didn't stop at the stop signs, but I was going slow enough to stop if I had to.

"I don't know how he could say he saw my stop lights because they weren't working at the time."

Mr. John Bacon, a post

graduate student at La Trobe University, told the court his son lived at home and was normally a "quiet boy". He was not a vicious character.

"I taught him to drive safely and responsibly. I think the trouble he is in today may have been caused by the company he was in that night — people he doesn't mix with any more."

Mr. Scully said he believed Bacon had shown by his behavior that he was unfit to hold a licence.

"You acted in a most immature manner," he added.

He disqualified him from driving for two years, and fined him \$200 on the dangerous driving charge. Bacon was also fined \$50 on each of the other charges and given two months to pay.

'Watchdog' group for foreshore

Williamstown residents have been called in to help the council plan the future development and conservation of the foreshore.

A public meeting called by Williamstown Council attracted 110 people interested in forming an advisory committee.

The meeting formed eight committees which will have direct access to the council's conservation, townscapes and landscapes committee when relevant issues are to be discussed.

Residents at the meeting, held at the town hall, agreed that regular information should be distributed to ratepayers on foreshore matters and that trailer launching facilities should be provided.

More lavatories should also be built along the beach area and storm-damaged pine trees need to be replaced, residents said.

A cycling track along the foreshore would also be an asset, and buildings on railway land near the Timeball Tower should be removed.

The following sub-committees were formed, with

the power to co-opt additional members:

Power House: D. Wilson, M. Coward, M. Hill, V. Curran, J. Ingleby, W. Dowell.

Fishing and Boat Launching: D. Gabriel, R. Ash, L. Joyce, I. Geard.

Siltation of Greenwich and Hobsons bays: G. Metcalf, R. Ward, N. Holmes, W. Thomson.

Extensions to Marinas and Moorings and Pens: E. Weaver.

For Gellibrand Redevelopment: N. Marr.

Development of Council Area of Rifle Range: M. Hill, C. Cullinan, Mr. and Mrs. Broughton.

Beach: D. Latch, W. Elerton, R. Johnston, R. King, N. Holmes.

Rock Pools: N. Marr, N. Bloedorn, B. Hosie, D. Thomson.

A ninth committee, to investigate the fencing of Gem Pier, was not formed due to a lack of nominations.

Jewels in Nelson Place

Diane Bapty opened her new shop in Nelson Place, Williamstown, at the weekend with an exhibition of scrimshaw and her own jewellery.

Scrimshaw, a seaman's art, is carving in whalebone or ivory, and Diane's collection came from the USA.

The new shop is opposite Gem Pier, where the maritime museum ship, Castlemaine, is moored.

RSL TALKS

The quarterly meeting of the Spotswood-Kingsville RSL will be held at the Mary Street Club rooms, tomorrow (Thursday).

All financial members are asked to attend.

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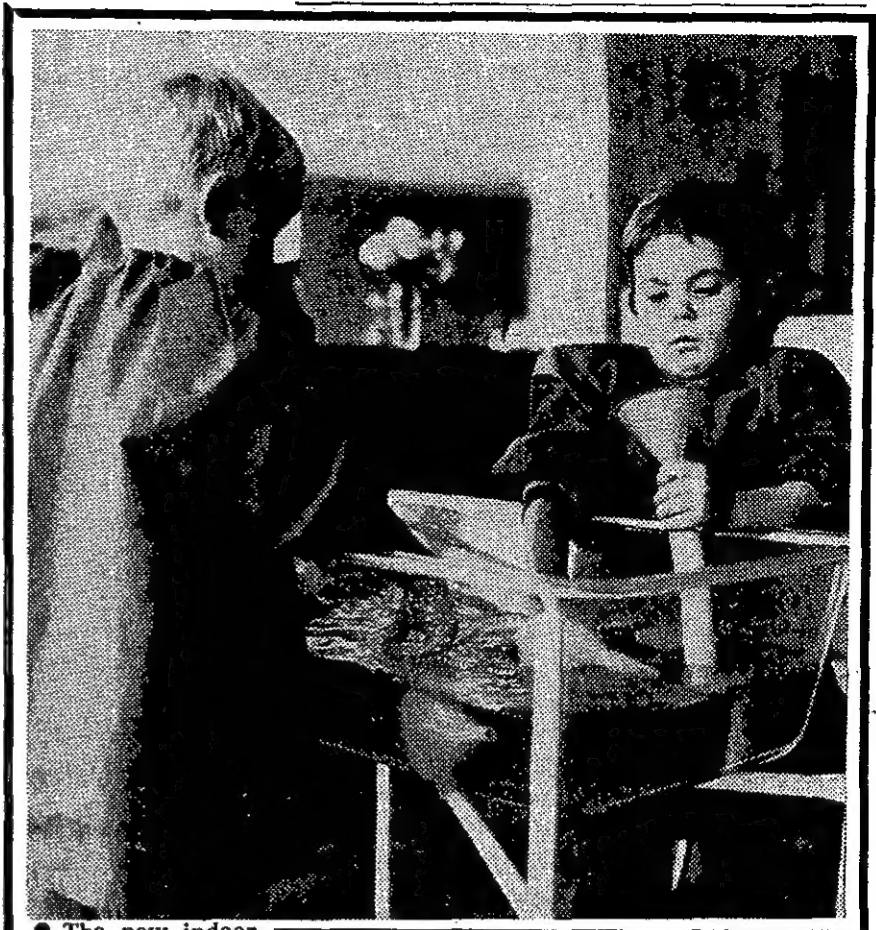
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• The new indoor water trough bought by the Linwood Avenue Kindergarten in Altona has proved a boon to the youngsters during the wintery weather this week. Two of the toddlers were engrossed in their experimenting when our photographer called in.



The Queen writes to Altona

The Queen, through her private secretary, has written a letter of appreciation to Altona Council.

The letter is in response to one written by the council, expressing Altona's loyalty to the Queen.

It reads:

"Dear Mr. Mayor, I am commanded by The Queen to thank you and the council of the City of Altona for your kind message of appreciation for her recent Silver Jubilee visit with The Duke of Edinburgh to Australia.

"Her Majesty received this message with much pleasure, together with your assurance of loyalty from the people of Altona. The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh greatly enjoyed their visit and the wonderful welcome they received everywhere they went."

On Cr. Ted Hubble's suggestion, the council has agreed to "find a little corner to put the letter in."

Pam's Column

HI GIRLS,

The fashion look this winter is for warm reds, earthy greens and browns, the look is exotic, highlighting lips, nails and eyes. Revlon creates the accent colors for face and fingertips to set off this fabulous look. This new range of colors is called The Persian Sandalwoods, available in — creme on shadow, gentle brown, creamy green, rosewine, creme lipstick, sandalwood beige, rosewine, earthy coral, creme nail enamel, sandalwood beige, rosewine, earthy coral.

These products are available in 3 color harmonising groupings. Beige, soft but warm beige tones that will harmonise with almost anything in your wardrobe. Sandalwood, beige lipstick and nail enamel with gentle brown creme on shadow to create the beige tonings.

Rosewine, just the thing for those blue/rose/mauve tonings or with any winter neutral, rosewine lipstick, nail enamel and creme on shadow create this group.

Earthy Coral. An earthy red brown tone that will go with anything but pastel shades. Earthy coral lipstick and nail enamel with creamy green eyeshadow, combine to create the earthy coral group.

Also, Revlon is offering at a special price "Charlie concentrated cologne spray, 21g the regular 14g size is a good price at \$3.95, but this is even better 7g more for only \$2.95. Charlie have a silver zodiac competition on now, so why not enter, you have the chance of winning yourself a sterling silver zodiac birth sign.

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Mission group

The next meeting of St. Stephens Mission Group, Williamstown, will be held tomorrow (Thursday).

Speaker will be the minister of St. Stephens, the Rev. Chester Hodge.

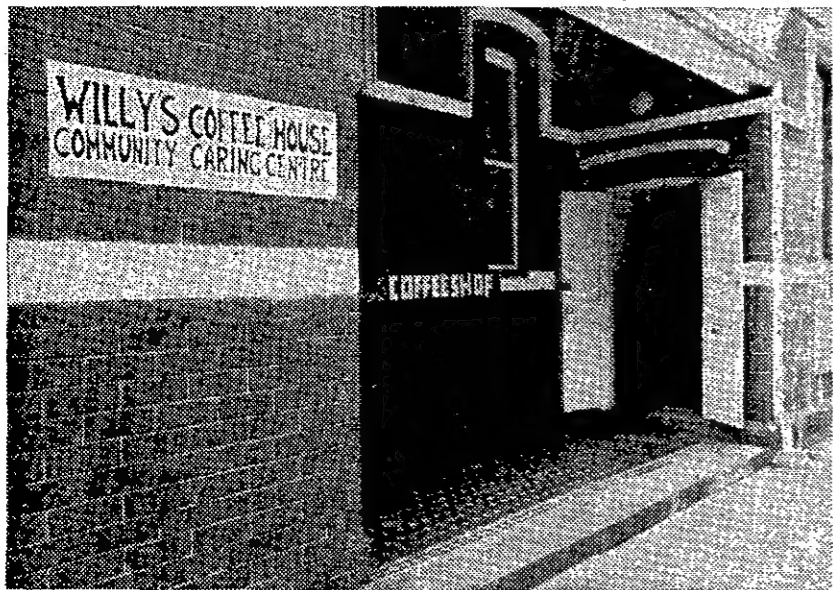
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Helpers needed



Voluntary helpers are urgently needed for Willy's Community Caring Centre in Electra Street, Williamstown.

The need for the centre has outgrown the help the small, dedicated group which started the centre can give.

The secretary, Mrs. Lila Powley this week appealed for helpers.

"Admiring opposition and apathy a group of volunteer workers es-

tablished this centre two years ago", Mrs. Powley said.

"The centre cares for people of all ages, from the restless young to the elderly, the handicapped, and the lonely."

"Many of these are victims of a society that doesn't seem to care, but thanks to the caring environment at Willy's life is changing, if only for a few hours each week."

"The number of people attending the centre has increased with time, and the urgent need for commu-

nity caring has been established beyond any doubt.

"The areas of caring have no bounds, but to expand further many more people, caring people, are needed to staff and assist."

Mrs. Powley said anyone interested could talk with representatives of the centre.

They can contact Rex Temby on 391 5823 (home) or 63 0341 (business) or Lila Powley on 397 7251, or write to Willy's Coffee House, 32 Electra Street, Williamstown.

Carried weapon 'in case they jump me'

Fiem Dardovski, 18, carried a home-made weapon in his car "in case anyone tried to jump me," Williamstown Court was told on Thursday.

Dardovski, unemployed, of Princes Street, Williamstown, was before the court charged with being armed with an offensive weapon.

The weapon, called nunchakas, was two pieces of broom handle joined by chain.

Dardovski told police he had made it at home after being beaten up.

Mr. D. Scully, SM, fined him \$100, in default 10

days' jail, and forfeited the weapon.

Constable Geoffrey Burnard of Williamstown

police told the court, he had seen a blue Falcon parked off Maddox Road,

Newport at 4.30 pm on May 4.

Dardovski was standing beside the car, and when questioned, said he was looking for spare parts.

"I inspected the car, and found this (holding up the nunchakas) under a blanket," he said.

Dardovski told him in

an interview at Williamstown police station he made the weapon two weeks before, because he didn't want to get beaten up again.

He had no reason to use it since then, he said. He kept it "just in case."

Mr. Scully, imposing the fine, asked when Dardovski could pay.

"When I get a job," Dardovski replied.

Mr. Scully: "And when will that be?"

Dardovski: "I dunno."

Mr. Scully: "Are you asking me to let this fine go indefinitely, or can you offer me something more specific?"

Dardovski: "I wouldn't know." He told Mr. Scully he had applied for unemployment benefits.

Mr. Scully allowed him one month to pay.

Charities can use Flood trust

All recognised charitable organisations in the western suburbs can benefit from the James Flood Charity Trust which is now owned by the Western General Hospital.

The hospital's public relations officer, Mr. Des Wheeler, who is responsible for the trust said that charities can buy James Flood books and swap cards at a discount of 33 1/3 per cent.

"The charities can then sell the items for a set retail figure, and keep the profits," said Mr. Wheeler.

He said service clubs, schools and other charities were welcome to take advantage of the trust.

Its assets include limit-

ed editions of books about vintage cars which have become collectors' pieces over the years.

Mr. Wheeler said that the first James Flood publications sold for \$12 each and were now worth more than \$400 each.

The trust was set up in 1968 by James Flood Pty. Ltd., the motor body builders in Footscray.

Its assets, worth \$350,000, were handed over to the hospital at a special dinner in April this year.

The trust is administered by Mr. Harold Paynting, director/general manager of James Flood Pty. Ltd.

For more information, contact Mr. Wheeler at 20 Mavis Street, West Footscray, phone 318 3546.

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Poetic drama

A programme of dramatised poetry will be staged by professional actors at Williamstown Little Theatre next week.

Called "Images," the programme covers poets studied by Higher School certificate students.

The production will include audio-visual effects, mime and music, and will run from Monday, June 6 to Saturday, June 11.

It will begin at the theatre, in Albert Street, at 7.30 nightly, with tickets selling at \$1.50 (students and pensioners) and \$2.

Poetry will include Chaucer, Eliot, Blake, Wordsworth, Donne, Browning, Lowell, Dickinson and Marvel.

David Bradshaw and Nicholas Kisilinsky, who devised the show, will also perform in it. The group will later take the production to the Mews Theatre in Prahran.



• Nicholas Kisilinsky



• David Bradshaw

Mayoral Ball

Eighteen debutantes will be presented to the Mayor, Cr. Les Crofts, and Mayor-elect, Mrs. Crofts, at the Altona Mayoral Ball on Friday, June 17.

The ball will be held in the Williamstown Town Hall, Ferguson Street.

Proceeds from the night will go towards the Salvation Army Aged Persons' Hostel to be built in McIntyre Drive, Altona.

The debts will make their entrance at 8.45 pm, 15 minutes after the official party.

More elders?

Consideration will be given at a meeting next Sunday of St. Johns Church Council of Elders, Williamstown, to increasing the number of elders.

The meeting will be at 11 am and will consider other urgent business also.

Volunteers needed

The recreation department of the Victorian Society for Crippled Children needs volunteers to help run swimming classes at Yooralla, Glenroy.

The classes are for physically disabled young adults and will be held on Saturdays between 10 and 11.45 am.

Volunteers can be any age and need no particular skills. If you can help, please ring Chris Hamilton or Chris Gibbs on 699 1888.

\$2000 coats stolen

The theft of about 20 leather coats from a Footscray store last week cost an Altona North man about \$2000.

The shop, in Gamon Street, is conducted by Mr. Milardo Bikicki, of Binns Street.

Thieves broke into the store through the roof between 5 pm and 3 am last Monday.

Police believe they left the same way, after failing to break down the front door because of an iron grid on it.

Senior-Detective Ian Brown, of Footscray CIB, is heading the investigation.

Rifles go in smash-grab

An Altona man has had three rifles worth a total of \$200 stolen in a smash-grab raid at his Footscray shop.

He is Mr. Albert Smith, of Marigold Avenue, who has a gun shop in Dennis Street, Footscray.

Police believe a car was driven into the plateglass window of the shop, between 2 am and 4.20 am last Sunday.

A number of valuable guns were left behind by the thieves.

Stolen were a .30-calibre carbine, serial number 436 1051; a 22 Fieldsman rifle (27346) and a 22 Stirling rifle (695099).

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The books will be sold through the UCA Synod Office, 130 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, after the UCA starts, on June 22. Early orders can be placed with the Joint Planning Committee, 100 Flinders Street.

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Lacrosse team in big win

Williamstown A grade lacrosse had an overwhelming win over inexperienced MCC last weekend. They won 35-7.

But coach Alex Inglis was a little disappointed with the performance because there were 19 assisted goals — which means there was a lot of individual play.

This always seems to be a problem when Williamstown is playing lowly teams.

At the weekend 11 out of the 14 players scored.

Wiggy Walton came out of goals after half-time and threw two goals in a minor highlight of the game.

Votes: O'Keefe, Cordell, Garnsworthy. Goals: Rollie 6, Spicer, Twomey 5, Cordell, Garnsworthy 4, B. Smith 3, Morley, Walton, Jennings 2, Jeremiah, McGuigan 1.

Daryl Wilkinson continued his consistent form. He top scored in B grade's 22-8 win over Glenroy.

Veteran Kevin Hope showed patience and control in defence, with Knuckles Roberts again running all day from face-offs.

The time and effort put into training by this team is beginning to pay dividends.

The big test will be next week against old rivals, Surrey Park.

Votes: Roberts, Hope, Orr. Goals: D. Wilkinson 8, R. Wilkinson 4, Roberts 3, Orr, Johnson 2, Calvert, Miller, Dawes 1.

After their good win last week, the under-19 side showed a complete reversal of form. They were trounced by Malvern 22-6.

Good players were few and far between.

But interstate representative Alan Morley played well enough to get the C.C. Award

Votes: Morley, M. Jennings, Sapiano. Goals: Lewer 3, Kennedy, Tuck, Madema 1.

Playing strong rivals Surrey Park, Keka's under 16's played steady lacrosse to win 18-7.

It was a team effort as Surrey have been playing well this year and the score was expected to be a bit closer.

John VanDerweert was very mobile and accurate around the crease and was aided by the drive from face-offs by Denis Newman and Peter Jennings.

Votes: Newman, Van Derweert, Jennings. Goals: Van Derweert 8, Newman 5, Meyer 2, Jennings, Phillips, Madema.

Willy under 14's lacked the endeavour to match Altona and lost 15-5.

The Willy players were first to the ball on many occasions, but lacked the experience to capitalise, and allowed their opponents use of the ball.

Parky Bell, although top goals scorer, wasted many chances, he was not picking his spot.

Votes: Butler, Lewis, Lewer Goals: Bell 2, Reid, Butler, McLead.

The under-12 team had another close win at Fearon Reserve on Saturday morning, when they beat Mitcham 8-2.

Robbie McVeigh stole the limelight with his shooting.

Votes: Clark, McVeigh, Orr. Goals: McVeigh 6, M. Herman, Kennedy.

Altona down in lacrosse

Altona Lacrosse Club's A grade team was beaten 28-4 last Saturday.

The team played poorly, against a good Chadstone side.

Votes: Doerner 3, Benedieks 2, Gerrard 1.

The B grade side had a convincing win over Footscray, 21-2.

Altona could not have won without the help of new players Peter Russell, S. Carrasi, J. Cauci and J. Haniver.

Altona votes: Freydas 3, Cook 2, Worboyes 1.

Footscray: Wilson 3, Nicholls 2, Kosta.

The under 16s drew with Mitcham 9-9, in an exciting game.

Spinning call

Westgate Drop-In Centre, at Newport, is anxious to hear from some-one qualified to give instructions in spinning.

Anyone who can help should contact Mrs. Joyce Bowman, on 391 3676.

The centre is open from 10 am to 2 pm Mondays and Wednesdays. It is at the Wood Street church.

Votes: Gerrard 3, Martin 2, Allen 1.

Goals: Gerrard 3, Allen 3, Johnson, Plant, Dole.

Altona under 14s played an excellent game to beat Williamstown 15-5.

Votes: Puopolo 3, Martin 2, Chirichiello 1.

Goals: Freydas 5, Puopolo 4, Abraham 2, Nicholls 2, Naughton, Chirichiello.

The under 12s beat Altona Gate 18-4.

Votes: Frydas 3, Pacific 2, Spagnolo.

Goals: Frydas 5, Pacific 4, Johnson 3, Pieras 3, Dekosel, Puopolo, Leroy, Cartalano.

TPI cards

Mrs. E. Robins and Mr. G. Rossiter won the cards when 41 members of the Western Suburbs TPI Social Club gathered for an afternoon last week.

The next card afternoon will be at 1.30 p.m. on June 9, in the Manchester Unity Hall, Footscray.

A committee meeting will be held tomorrow at 1.30 pm in the Manchester Unity Hall.

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McKEAN, Alfred, — In loving memory of our Dad and Pop, passed away 5th June, 1971. No lapse of time. No space of years. Can dim the loving past. Remembrance holds you very dear. As long as life shall last. Florrie, John, Peter, Mary and Kathleen.

WALKER, Douglas Harold, — Passed away June 4th, 1976. We never part from those we love. No distance can divide. In memory's garden day by day. We still walk side by side. —Ever remembered by your mum and dad.

WALKER, Douglas Harold, — Passed away June 4th, 1976. In the garden of peace you are sleeping. Sheltered from all suffering and pain. I think of you in silence. And often speak your name. —Remembered always by your loving sister, Kathleen.

WALKER, Douglas Harold, — Passed away June 4th, 1976. Time passes by and memories stay. But you "Dougie" are remembered every day. —Always remembered by your "Uncle" Jim.

WALKER, — Happy memories of our dear nephew and cousin "Dougie". So sadly missed along life's way. —Auntie Zena, Uncle John and Family.

WHISSIM, Maxwell Allan — Passed away 7th June, 1974, loved son of Allan (deceased) Rube, Loving brother of Rex and Bev. Loved and remembered always.

THANKS

SPERLING Mrs. F. Sperling wishes to sincerely thank her relatives, friends and neighbours for their thoughtfulness, personal visits, phone calls and floral tributes following the sudden death of my loved husband, John. Please accept this as my personal thanks and appreciation.

BIRTHS

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Factory will beautify

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The company said it would like to go ahead with its beautification ideas now that the reconstruction of the parade was complete. In a letter to the town hall the company said it

wants to plant tall gum trees along the nature strip, and other Australian natives to cover the embankment from Simcock Avenue corner to the end of the AGM property.

Brawl charges adjourned

Charges arising from a brawl outside Williamstown Town Hall on January 28, listed for hearing at Williamstown Court yesterday, have been adjourned to June 17.

The hearing of cases between the police prosecutor, Sergeant John Sheahan and three barristers representing the three youths, a further adjournment until June 17 was agreed to.

The charges are being heard before Mr. Don Scully, SM.

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Mrs. Vera Mann

Former Altona resident, Mrs. Vera Mann, died on Monday, aged 62.

A popular identity in Altona, Mrs. Mann worked for Green's Dairies in Millers Road for 18 years.

She worked later for Melletts grocery store in Pier Street until she suffered a stroke three years ago.

Mrs. Mann lived in Sieves Street, Altona, for many years before moving to Greensborough.

She leaves a son, Bill a daughter, Dawn; children-in-law, Helen and Gunther and four grandchildren, Angela, Natalie, Kurt and Heidi.

A funeral service was held today at St. Mary's Church, Altona.

AN INVITATION

The new Infant Welfare and Pre-School Centre at Altona Meadows will be officially opened by the Mayoress, Mrs. J. Crofts, on

Sunday 5th June, 1977 at 2.30 p.m.

All interested people are invited to attend the Official Opening and to stay for afternoon tea.

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WSFL results

Results of WSFL matches played on the 28th and 29th of May.

1ST DIVISION

Cent. Altona 14.13 (97), Werribee 9.9 (63), W'town CYMS 11.17 (83), W'town United 8.10 (58), West Newport 8.10 (58), Laverton 6.8 (44), Brooklyn 12.15 (87), Sunshine Heights 2.3 (15).

2nd DIVISION

Cent. Altona 9.6 (60), Werribee 3.10 (28), Fitzroy Rovers 16.9 (105), Newport 10.11 (71), W'town United 12.13 (85), W'town CYMS 9.10 (64), West Newport 6.16 (52), Laverton 5.9 (39).

Hoppers Xing 26.30 (186), Sunshine Heights 1.1 (7).

Under-17s

W'town United 17.18 (120), Laverton 6.3 (39), Werribee 13.4 (82), Altona City 8.9 (57), Hoppers Xing 16.18 (114), Sunshine Heights 5.12 (42).

Under-15s

Werribee 18.20 (126), Cent. Altona 0.0 (0), Altona City 23.18 (156), Braybrook 0.1 (1), W'town Juniors 4.10 (34), W'town United 4.6 (30), Laverton 14.13 (97), Westport 2.3 (15), Sunshine Heights 17.23 (125), Hoppers Xing 0.0 (0).

Under-13s

Werribee 11.7 (73), Cent. Altona 1.0 (6), Altona City 13.10 (88), Newport Cent. 0.0 (0), W'town Juniors 12.11 (83), Sunshine 1.0 (6), Laverton 5.4 (34), Westport 4.4 (28), Sunshine Heights 1.5 (11), Hoppers Xing 1.4 (10).

Under-12s

Altona City 5.3 (33), W'town Jrs. 4.3 (27), Albion North 4.5 (29), Braybrook CYC 3.2 (20), Werribee 9.8 (62), Maidstone 2.5 (17).

Under-11s

Hoppers Xing 12.15 (87), W'town Jrs. 0.0 (0), Windermere 4.3 (27), Westport 0.5 (5), Sunshine Heights 3.9 (27), Laverton 2.7 (19), Werribee 13.4 (82), Sunshine 0.0 (0), Altona City 8.10 (58), Newport Cent. 1.1 (7), Central Altona Bye.

Under-10s

Windermere 2.1 (13), Werribee 1.3 (9), Altona City 5.5 (35), Sunshine Heights A. 0.5 (5), Cent. Altona 17.15 (117), Hoppers Xing B. 0.1 (1), Laverton 9.6 (60), Maidstone 1.1 (7).

Chess mates called for

The recently formed Altona North Brooklyn Youth Club Chess wants more members.

A spokesman said this week the club was trying to cater for all chess enthusiasts.

He said both the casual or friendly type of player who wishes to develop his game by playing competition chess can contact Bob Grieves on 314 5427.

CITY OF ALTONA

FAMILY DAY CARE CO-ORDINATOR

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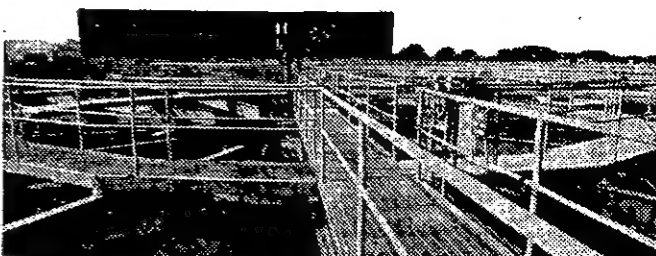
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CITY OF ALTONA ARE YOU ON THE ROLL?

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Who is eligible?

Owners and occupiers of property, spouses and company nominees are all eligible to be on the Voters' Roll.

If you are not already on the Roll, or are unsure, please check at the Rates Office. But if you want to be included on the Roll, you must tell us by 10th June.

Remember.

If your name is not on the Voters Roll, you cannot vote in council elections.

S. FELL, Town Clerk, Phone 398 2244.

SEA GULLS FACE REGULATION

Things are grim in the Williamstown Football Club this week.

The side faces the bleak prospect of being relegated back to second division VFA unless it can start to win games.

And the tough, even competition in first division will make it hard for the Seagulls — even though they showed promise in last Sunday's game against Preston.

What is desperately needed are premiership points.

They eluded the side again on Sunday with Preston sneaking home by only four points.

This Sunday, the Seagulls have the chance to at least show some hope when they clash with struggling Caulfield, at Williamstown.

If history counts for anything, Caulfield have never won at Williamstown.

Caulfield will be equally desperate for a win after been demoralised by Dandenong last Sunday.

Officials were looking to the Preston game as a confidence booster.

Williamstown, with the wind in the first quarter, got off to a good start.

They had 4-5 on the board to Preston's 2-2 at quarter time.

Brian Lowe booted two goals during the term and Stewart and Briner the others.

Preston came back full of running in the second quarter.

They made full use of the wind with direct, long kicking and trailed by only three points, 7-8 to 7-5 at half-time.

Lowe was put on the ball and he was creating chances for the Seagulls.

John Fanning missed a goal from point blank range during the quarter — and as it turned out this could have been the sealer.

In the third quarter, Lowe returned to full forward and booted another four goals.

New player Dominic Van Schewarn was playing rugged, concentrated football on the half-back line.

But Williamstown was having trouble getting the ball away from the centre.

Williamstown led by 22 points, 14-11 to 11-7, at three quarter time, and looked set to hold off Preston in the final quarter.

Nash goaled early in the term which took the lead to 28 points, but the wind advantage started to play foul of Williamstown.

Preston goaled twice because of errors by Seagull players, and they were full of running.

The lead changed a couple of times in a desperate last quarter. Williamstown couldn't get the lucky break.

The evenness of the game is illustrated by the number of shots for goal the sides had — both 29.

For Williamstown, John Fanning, playing his 100th game, was a big influence around the ground.

His strong ruck work worried Preston all day. The club needs to find another first-class ruck to help Fanning.

Brian Lowe, who has been having stints on the ball, should be allowed to consolidate at full-forward.

Lowe finished with six goals, and won votes for second best for Williamstown.

John Nash also got praise for his excellent roving display.

Other good players were: Bruce Alexander who cleared the ball repeatedly, Mick Mahoney at full-back, Peter Gardner and Bob Percy.

Goals: Lowe 6, Gardner 4, Nash 3, Kennedy 2, Briner.

Progressive voting in Williamstown Central Motors Award: Gardner 8, Lowe 7, Fanning 7, Allan 6, Mahoney 4, Cross 4, Porcena 4, Tweedy 3, Percy 3, Dixon, Kerr 1.

Williamstown Seconds also had a bad day. They lost 14-25 to 8-13.

One of the best players was 16-year-old Darren Mitchell, from Laverton.

Gary Simpson put in a fine rucking display, after Marshall failed to turn-up to play.

Others to play well were Tony McVeigh after recovering from injury and Laurie Taylor who roved well.

Goals: Boxall, Edwards

2, Coates, Dixon, Simpson

The thirds suffered the same fate as the seniors and reserves. Preston, premiers last season, beat them 15-10 to 8-5.

Best: Craig Eldridge, Geoff Bell, Bill Mitchell, Wayne Stevens, David Truman, Bill Campbell.

Goals: Lavelle 2, Bell, Walsh, Dean, Martin, Newman, Goetz 1.

Williamstown's under-15 side beat Williamstown United 4-11 to 4-6.

Best: Barnett, Black, Mitvalsky, Morton, Clark, Hughes.

Goals: Mitvalsky 2, M. McDonald, Lovell.

The under-13 team had a good win against Sunshine, 12-11 to 1-0. Andrew Robson played his 50th game.

Best: Aceri, Fairly, Arandez, Westharpe, Robson, Gourley.

Goals: Van Dongen, Robson, Arandez, Fairly 2, Richard, Pate.

Ashley Arandez has replaced injured Gary Goding in the training squad for the inter-league game against Dandenong.

Altona City under-12 beat Williamstown by six points. The scores were Altona 5-3 to 4-3.

Best: Tuck, Brierty, Temby, Gabriel, Chamberlain, Yates.

Goals: Brierty, Chamberlain, Selvidge, Temby.

Williamstown under-11 were kept scoreless in their game against Hoppers Crossing, which booted 12-10.

Best: M. Bates, G. Bates, Grigg, Dalton, Robertson, Wright.

David Bates has replaced Andrew Gray in the training squad for the inter-league game. Gray is unavailable to play.

In the under-10, Williamstown beat Deer Park 3-4 to 2-4.

Best: Taylor, Powell, Dooley, Walsh, Cavanagh, Armstrong. Goals: Walsh, Arandez, Cavanagh.

Altona fields five winners

Altona Football Club fielded five successful teams at Grant Reserve last weekend.

The seniors won their first game against St. Albans in a scrumbly, wind affected game.

The game started with Altona defending well against the wind. They held St. Albans to 1-7, and managed three behinds themselves.

The second quarter almost lost the game for the Vikings. They let the visitors create loose men and score three easy goals into the wind. Poor kicking for goal limited scoring chances to 2-8 and it was a sorry-looking Altona side that left the field at half time.

The third term saw the home side play well again. Geoff Bebed was dominating in the air, and Pixie Walgers, although ill, was a damaging half forward.

The Vikings' back line players were combining well and kept St. Albans to 1-5 while the forwards added three goals to be only two points down at the final change.

It did not take Altona long to get into the lead in the final term.

They scored 3-3 and held the determined Saints down to 1-5. Mick O'Connor and Geoff Blokkeerus led a backline that had played good defensive

football for most of the day.

Scores: Altona City: 0-3, 2-11, 5-11, 8-14 (62).

St. Albans: 1-7, 4-8, 5-13, 6-14 (50).

Best: G. Bebed, M. O'Connor, G. Morgan, G. Blokkeerus, A. Walgers, J. Rosenboom.

Goals: Walgers 4, Bebed 2, G. Morgan, W. Jones 1 each.

The Viking "A" Reserves looked like having a big win at the expense of St. Albans but lapsed into careless play which followed them back into the game.

The players appeared to be upset by the field umpires decisions, they gave away a few 15-metre penalties which led to opposition goals.

Even though the umpiring was of a very low standard, the players must learn to abide by the decisions.

Scores: Altona City 9-9 (63), St. Albans 6-6 (42).

Best: S. Grainger, H. Pride, R. Lawson, I. Harrington, P. Pobega, E. Messina.

Goals: Not available.

Although beaten by a bigger Werribee side, Altona under-17s fought back in the second half and outscoored their opponents.

Scores: Altona City 8-9 (57) lost to Werribee 13-4 (82).

Best: P. Stephens, S. Magennis, K. Vogan, D. Richards, N. Condon, S. Kimpton.

Goals: Kimpton 3, M. McCullagh 3, P. Stephens, G. Radoicovich 1 each.

"Roy's Boys" under-15s steamrolled Braybrook CYC and built up their percentage.

Scores: Altona City 23-18 (156), Braybrook CYC 0-1 (1).

Best: D. O'Brien, A. Rocco, G. Burnett, M. Cooper, P. Oberegger, G. Rocco.

Goals: A. Rocco 10, W. Smith 8, D. O'Brien 4, M. COPER ff.

The Vikings' under-13s made easy work of Newport Centrals and kept them scoreless.

Scores: Altona City 13-10 (88), Newport Central, Nil.

Best: L. Villani, C. Paten, P. Davies, C. Burdett, S. Prestigar.

Goals: Paten 4, Prestigar, Burdett 3 each, D. Krol 2, Davies 1.

For the under-12s a win against Williamstown at home is always good and the boys are playing well.

Scores: Altona City 5-3 (33), Williamstown 4-3 (27).

Best: D. Cody, N. Barnes, D. Gillespie, P. Burns.

Goals: D. Cooper 2, D. Brown, P. Stewart, D. Cron.

Under-11s: "Heymes Hopefuls" were far too good for Newport Centrals.

Scores: Altona City 8-10 (58), Newport Centrals 1-1 (7).

Best: J. Michael, C. Spencer, M. Villani, R. Skinner, R. Wilson.

Goals: D. Kip 3, J. Davies, R. Wilson, S. Gillard, J. Michael, D. White.

Under-10s: The littlest Vikings made it 7 out of 8 wins for the club when they beat Sunshine Heights on Sunday.

Scores: Altona City 5-5 (35), Sunshine Heights 0-5 (5).

Best: P. Stone, A. Taylor, T. McGowan, C. Steinhart, D. Smith.

Goals: P. Stone 3, R. Hunt, D. Smith 1.

United win

Williamstown United under 17 beat Laverton by 17-18 to 6-3 at the weekend. Goals: P. Curran 4, Ind 4, Pettinato 3, Murphy 2, Barnaby, Barrie, Neenan, Vasil. A great team effort.

Hockey club coast home

Altona Hockey Club's A grade team thrashed second top team Toorak-East Malvern at the Hockey Centre on Saturday. The scores were 4-1.

The team is now in sixth position on the ladder and is only out of the four on percentage.

It appears that the A's have adjusted to the A grade tempo and full credit must go to coach Rick Purser, who has the boys extremely fit.

Their skills are improving week by week.

The game was of a high standard with the experienced Colin Slow and Rick Purser quick to set the pattern of play.

Greg Richardson, Alan Clarke and Jean Forrester were busy up forward and the opposition defence was under pressure for the entire first half.

At the end of the first half the Altona side was one goal up, which was slammed in by Tony Austin from a penalty corner rebound. The only blemish in Altona's game was

the failure to convert a penalty stroke shortly before the half-time break.

Things didn't change much in the second half.

Altona maintained their stranglehold on the game and scored their second when Bruce Forrester drove home a penalty corner to give them a second goal.

Brian Smith, Geoff Studley and Maurie Burgess all gave solid support in midfield play and broke down the few attacking moves of the Toorak-East Malvern team.

Forrester went on to score three goals for Altona.

Next week's game is against St. Kilda, the team which beat Altona in last year's second division grand final.

With a vastly improved side the A's will be out to redeem themselves.

Best: C. Slow, G. Richardson, M. Burgess, B. Smith.

The B grade side is giving the club solid support, under the guidance of Pete Byrne.

They had a big 5-1 win over Brunswick.

Goals: Bennett 2, Byrne, Symons, Ranger.

The Altona Junior Car-

United down to CYMS

Williamstown United Football Club's senior team went down to Williamstown CYMS in the weekend's round.

United managed only 8-10 against CYMS's 11-17.

United best: Welsh, Williams, Smith, McLelland, Craddock, Vasil, Lawerson.

United goals: Davis 3, Knight 2, Nichols, Potter, Smith.

United's reserve team had a clean-cut win over CYMS with the final scores at 12-13 to 0-10.

United best: Be'l, Phefley, Beckman, Higgins, Hall, B. Hill.

United goals: D. Phefley 4, R. Powley 2, Higgins, Jill, Sutton, O'Sullivan, Pilavakis, N. Craddock.

United went down to Williamstown Juniors by only five points, in the under 14 competition.

Juniors scored 4-11 to United 4-6.

United best: Elliott, Dorgan, Marin, Hunter, Anderson, Bates.

United goals: Elliott 2, Keating, Marin.

nival was again a big success, teams came from all parts of Melbourne to compete.

Greensborough won the Ron Ford Cup, by beating Waverley 2-1 in an exciting final.

Altona's number 2 team made a great run for the President's Cup, but it was finally won by Springvale-Noble Park from Glenroy.

Although Altona's boys were under 14 and playing against much older opponents they performed well.

Trophies were presented at the end of the day, by Altona Mayor, Cr. Les Crofts.

Tennis club down on the table

Williamstown Tennis Club, Table Tennis Club went down to Honeywell, in the Western Suburbs Table Tennis Association B grade winter pennant competition last week.

Williamstown, however, was a player short. Captain, Geoff Van Wyngaarden, played brilliantly to easily win his three rubbers.

Honeywell 8 (Loris McGuinness 2, Alby Richardson 2, Favis Heaps 2; 2 doubles.) d. Williamstown Tennis Club 3 (Geoff Van Wyngaarden 3).

Baseballers fight back

Williamstown baseball seniors again managed to fight back in the final stages of their game against Oakleigh last weekend.

They won 8-5, in poor conditions.

West Newport win two

West Newport Football Club captured wins in senior first and second division matches at the weekend.

The first division team, after dragging Laverton and the end of the first and third terms, had a 14 point win.

Quarter-by-quarter: West Newport — 0-2, 5-5, 6-5, 8-10 (58), Laverton — 3-5, 3-5, 6-8, 6-8 (44).

West Newport best — Carrington, R. Chitty, Durham, Orr, Pitt, Thompson.

West Newport goals — Carrington, 2; Cavanagh, L. Garlick, Leighton, Menzies, Saunders, Vanstone.

The senior second division side led over Laverton all day and finished up 13 points in front.

Quarter by quarter: West Newport — 4-7, 4-8, 6-16, 6-16 (52), Laverton — 2-1, 2-6, 2-6, 5-9 (39).

West Newport best — Bosman, R. Broughton, Browne-Kerr, Dean, Kalisperus, Mayes.

West Newport goals — Browne-Kerr 2; Jones, Neville, F. Schenk, Bosman.

Championships in two weeks

The Western Suburbs Table Tennis Championships will start in two weeks.

Highlights this year could be the emergence of several junior players in A-grade events and a big entry in the veterans singles (over 45). The WSTTA committee is anxious to hear from any former players who qualify for the Veterans title.

Favorites for this year's event could be Des Jones the perpetual trophy donor, with super veterans Dick Ross and Jack Wylie also in the running.

The A-grade singles title should be the most hotly contested for years, with top local juniors Ray Lear and Jason Worland as definite chances, along with the top eight seeds, who are separated by only one rubber after four rounds.

In A-grade, Ray Lear and Jason Worland provided the upsets in round four with singles wins over Jim Montgomery and Steve Slattery respectively, whilst W'town High School are fighting to avoid the wooden spoon.

A-grade: W'ton d. Coburg 3-2, Centre d. WHS 4-1, Altona d. Maidstone 3-2, W'town Colts d. Footscray 3-2.

A-Reserve: Seagulls d. W'town United, 10-2, Nava D.Y. d. Altona West 8-3, Spotswood d. Sunshine 8-3.

B-Grade: Newport d. Altona Y.C. 7-4, Honeywell d. W'town T.C. 8-3, Altona Nth Rebels d. Hick Timbers 6-5.

C-Grade: Altona Y.C. d. Maidstone 8-3, WHE d. W'town TTC 7-4, Seaweed City d. Werribee TTA 9-2, Sunshine d. Footscray T.H. 9-2.

D2-grade: Spotswood d. Laverton 2-10-1, Hick Timbers d. Brunswick rebels 1-10, Celts d. Laverton 1-65, Spotswood Stars d. Altona YC 9-2.

D1 grade: ASR d. Footscray TH 10-1, Altona West Beasts d. International 111-0, Hoechst S.C. d. Ordance 6-5.

E-Grade: W'town Jacks d. Altona Wt. Blues 10-1, Newport d. Altona W. Lions 9-2, Yarraville d. A.Y. Club 11-0, SWAD d. A.W. Libras 11-0.

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